

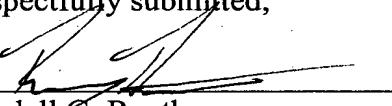
**REMARKS**

By this amendment to the application, a Related Application section has been added, several claims have been amended to remove multiple dependencies, and claim 40 has been cancelled. It is respectfully submitted that the amended claims are supported by the application, that the amended claims satisfy the written description requirement and the other requirements of 35 U.S.C. §112, and that no new matter is being added.

In view of the above, each of the presently pending claims in this application is believed to be in immediate condition for allowance. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to pass this application to issue. If there is any matter that the Examiner would like to discuss, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned representative at the telephone number set forth below.

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Respectfully submitted,

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